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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk and Administrator
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. to establish a Hydrant Meter Program
Docket No. 2018-XXX-W

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS" or the "Company") is currently operating under a schedule of rates approved by the South Carolina Public Service Commission in Order No. 2018-345(A). CWS requests that it be permitted to amend its Water Service Territory 1 and 2 tariffs to establish a Hydrant Meter Program. Specifically, CWS requests that it be permitted to add the following new provision in these tariffs:

Hydrant Meter Program

A contractor, developer, or other commercial customer (the "Hydrant Customer") requiring water service for a limited duration, where no other water service is available to the customer, may, where practicable, take water service from the Utility's nearest available hydrant. In such cases, the Hydrant Customer shall obtain from the Utility a 2-inch meter and affix the meter to the hydrant(s) closest to its work site(s). The Hydrant Customer shall be charged the appropriate Base Facilities Charge for a 2-inch meter and for actual water consumption. Every 25 to 35 days, the Hydrant Customer shall make the meter available to the Utility for the reading of its water usage and associated monthly billing. In addition, the Hydrant Customer shall pay Utility a deposit of \$1,100.00, which represents the approximate cost of the meter, prior to receiving the 2-inch meter. The Utility shall refund the Hydrant Customer's deposit upon the prompt return of the meter in good working order. If the meter is lost or determined to be damaged upon return, the Utility may withhold all, or a portion, of the deposit amount as reasonable compensation for the Utility's loss.

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CWS is prepared to offer water service through its hydrants using a 2-inch hydrant meter. To reduce water theft and unaccounted for water usage, CWS proposes to charge a Hydrant Customer a refundable deposit of \$1,100.00 for the meter and charge the Hydrant Customer CWS' then approved rates.

CWS respectfully submits this request to include its Hydrant Meter Program in its Water Service Territory 1 and 2 tariffs without a public hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Section § 58-5-240 (G). If the Commission approves CWS' Hydrant Meter Program, the Company will file conforming tariffs within ten days of the date of the Commission's Order.

If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Elliott & Elliott, P.A.



Scott Elliott

cc: Jeff Nelson, Esquire

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

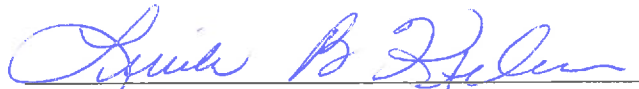
The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicated below:

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PLEADINGS: Letter of Application

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